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$S u b a \mathcal{V}$ 1. An image pickup apparatus, comprising:

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(A) a photo-taking start instruction operation member which gives an instruction for starting a photo-taking operation;

(B) a display device which displays a photo-taken image obtained by the photo-taking operation in response to the photo-taking operation; and

(C) a decision device which decides whether displaying of the photo-taken image displayed by said display device in response to the photo-taking operation is to be kept even after an operation of said photo-taking start instruction operation member is canceled.

2. An image pickup apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said decision device decides whether displaying of the photo-taken image is to be kept, by an operation of an external operation member different from said photo-taking start instruction operation member.

3. An image pickup apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said decision device includes a keeping instruction operation member which gives an instruction for keeping displaying of the photo-taken image, and, when said keeping instruction operation member is not operated, decides that displaying of the photo-taken image is not to be kept.

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4. An image pickup apparatus according to claim 1, wherein displaying of the photo-taken image decided to be kept by said decision device is canceled by an operation of said photo-taking start instruction member.

5. An image pickup apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising:

a processing device which, in a state where displaying of the photo-taken image is kept by said decision device, applies a predetermined processing operation to the photo-taken image the displaying of which is kept.

6. An image pickup apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said image pickup apparatus includes a camera.

7. An image pickup apparatus, comprising:

(A) a display device which displays a photo-taken image obtained by a photo-taking operation in response to the photo-taking operation;

(B) a decision device which decides whether displaying of the photo-taken image displayed by said display device in response to the photo-taking operation is to be kept; and

(C) a processing device which, in a state where displaying of the photo-taken image is kept by said decision device, applies a predetermined processing operation to the photo-taken image the displaying of

which is kept.

8. An image pickup apparatus according to claim 7, wherein said decision device decides whether displaying of the photo-taken image is to be kept, by an operation of an external operation member.

9. An image pickup apparatus according to claim 7, wherein said decision device includes a keeping instruction operation member which gives an instruction for keeping displaying of the photo-taken image, and, when said keeping instruction operation member is not operated, decides that displaying of the photo-taken image is not to be kept.

10. An image pickup apparatus according to claim 7, wherein said image pickup apparatus includes a camera.

11. An image pickup apparatus, comprising:

(A) a display device which displays a photo-taken image obtained by a photo-taking operation in response to the photo-taking operation, said display device keeping displaying of the photo-taken image; and

(B) a processing device which, in a state where displaying of the photo-taken image is kept by said display device, applies a predetermined processing operation to the photo-taken image the displaying of which is kept.

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12. An image pickup apparatus according to claim 11, wherein said processing device applies the predetermined processing operation to the photo-taken image the displaying of which is kept, by an operation of an external operation member.

13. An image pickup apparatus according to claim 11, wherein said image pickup apparatus includes a camera.

14. A control method for an image pickup apparatus, comprising:

displaying a photo-taken image obtained by a photo-taking operation in response to the photo-taking operation, and deciding whether displaying of the photo-taken image displayed in response to the photo-taking operation is to be kept even after an operation of a photo-taking starting operation member for giving an instruction for starting photo-taking is canceled.

15. A control method adapted for an image pickup apparatus, comprising:

displaying a photo-taken image obtained by a photo-taking operation in response to the photo-taking operation, deciding whether displaying of the photo-taken image displayed in response to the photo-taking operation is to be kept, and, in a state where displaying of the photo-taken image is kept, applying a predetermined

processing operation to the photo-taken image the displaying of which is kept.

16. A control method adapted for an image pickup apparatus, comprising:

displaying a photo-taken image obtained by a photo-taking operation in response to the photo-taking operation, keeping displaying of the photo-taken image, and, in a state where displaying of the photo-taken image is kept, applying a predetermined processing operation to the photo-taken image the displaying of which is kept.

17. A computer program product adapted for an image pickup apparatus, comprising contents of:

displaying a photo-taken image obtained by a photo-taking operation in response to the photo-taking operation, and deciding whether displaying of the photo-taken image displayed in response to the photo-taking operation is to be kept even after an operation of a photo-taking starting operation member for giving an instruction for starting photo-taking is canceled.

18. A computer program product adapted for an image pickup apparatus, comprising contents of:

displaying a photo-taken image obtained by a photo-taking operation in response to the photo-taking operation, deciding whether displaying of the photo-taken image displayed in response to the photo-taking operation

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is to be kept, and, in a state where displaying of the photo-taken image is kept, applying a predetermined processing operation to the photo-taken image the displaying of which is kept.

19. A computer program product adapted for an image pickup apparatus, comprising contents of:

displaying a photo-taken image obtained by a photo-taking operation in response to the photo-taking operation, keeping displaying of the photo-taken image, and, in a state where displaying of the photo-taken image is kept, applying a predetermined processing operation to the photo-taken image the displaying of which is kept.